FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 1265 - HB 1877

May 4, 2007

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (006982, 007730, 007899):

Deletes language from original bill that authorized local governments to grant a private citizen the authority to enforce anti-littering laws. Requires all proceeds from fines imposed in criminal littering offenses to be deposited in the general fund of the county where the offense occurred and for such funds to be designated for county operating costs with preference given to litter prevention programs and education. Authorizes the judge in such cases to excuse offender from paying court costs.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$6,600 / Incarceration*

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption applied to amendments:

• The penalties for criminal littering and aggravated criminal littering remain the same. No change in the fiscal impact as a result of these amendments.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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^{*}Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-210, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated from recurring revenues shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years.

